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CZAR'S CORONATION IN MINIATURE FORM

Russian Minister Will Give a Magnificent Moonlight Fete.

Washington Golf Ladies Will Begin Play Today—Minutrel Performance for Battle Abbey.

"Just in the dull season, too—what fun!" Society is fairly boiling with delight, and the general voice thrills with tones of pleasure. The cause of so much gay anticipation is the announcement of a gorgeous function soon to take place, which for coquetry and elegance will surpass any affair of the sort ever known here.

The Russian minister, Mr. Kotzebue, is arranging to give a magnificent moonlight fete in honor of the coronation of the czar, May 25. It will be an out-of-door affair with music and a gorgeous display of fireworks. A feast characteristic of the banquet of the empire of the two continents will be spread, where the guests will enjoy more of the wonderful good things which many of them tasted for the first time at Easter-tide.

It is expected that Mrs. Kotzebue will give in this country and be present at this unique demonstration of loyalty. A wish has been expressed that it be made a fancy costume event, but this suggestion has not been seriously considered. The invitation list is now being compiled by the minister, assisted by a number of smart women, who lead the social way, and will include many hundred guests.

Senor Luis Felipe Carbo, minister of Ecuador, received yesterday from New York a gift of his friend, Senor Valverde, vice consul of Ecuador at New York, and is handsomely framed in gold.

The work is quite artistic and a fine likeness of Senor Carbo, who is a man of excellent appearance, and although at the capital only a short time is already a great favorite in Washington.

The rumor of the engagement of a certain charming young woman of the diplomatic corps, and an interesting and talented man well known here, is the subject of much pleasant conjecture.

The entertainment for a Battle Abbey fete, which was to have taken place yesterday afternoon, has been postponed until next Tuesday afternoon and evening. Wednesday. The program has been materially changed. The fete, which will take place from 12 to 3 o'clock on Tuesday and Wednesday next at the Washington Light Infantry Hall, will be a luncheon, strawberries and cream, tea, cake, ices and lemonade will be served. On Wednesday evening twenty prominent society women will give a musical performance. The performers will wear white burnt cork complexion and coats and skirts of black satin, and white skirts, waistcoats and diamond pins. The idea has been successfully carried out in New York, St. Louis and other large cities, a large sum being realized on each occasion. The musical "show" will give the usual vocal, instrumental and dramatic performance, including "Tango and de bones." It will take place Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

The ladies of the Washington Golf Club will begin play today at the links near Rosslyn. The tournament will begin at 10:30 o'clock promptly and Mr. Edward F. Rogers, secretary of the club, will act as referee. Three days will decide the name of the fortunate winner of the silver loving cup offered as the prize.

A pleasant at home was given by Mrs. La Feta at her home on G street yesterday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Lucy Thurman. Mrs. Thurman has been holding most successful receptions in this city for months past under the auspices of the N. W. C. T. U. department of work among the colored people. Rosetta E. Lawson, superintendent, in the past service yesterday afternoon. Mrs. La Feta presided, and after instrumental music by Mrs. R. T. Hamilton and a solo by Miss M. E. Pitt, president of the N. W. C. T. U. of the District, made an address and was followed by the following ladies: Mrs. R. H. Terrell, Mrs. R. K. Bruce, Mrs. H. C. Bruce, Mrs. J. M. Langston, Mrs. S. L. Butler, Mrs. J. E. Gilbert, Mrs. E. A. Johnson, Mrs. A. W. Fawcett, Mrs. Jesse Lawson, Mrs. Alfred Wood, Mrs. Arthur Gray, Mrs. E. H. Duffield, Mrs. J. R. Francis, Mrs. E. W. Hawkins and Mrs. Thurman. Miss General of Kansas, rendered a piano solo.

Gen. Francis A. Walker of Boston, president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, came to Washington for the unveiling of Gen. Hancock's statue yesterday. Gen. Walker is widely known by his works on military and educational subjects.

This afternoon will be the first of a series of Wednesdays at home, given by Mrs. Gardner G. Hubbard, at her country home, "Twin Oaks," on the Woodley Lane road.

The Columbia Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution held the last regular monthly meeting of the chapter, until October, at the Elbitt House, last evening.

Mrs. Ramsay, wife of Admiral Ramsay, will entertain at a luncheon today.

The Mississippi Association will meet at the residence of Mrs. Z. W. Pagan this evening. A delightful musical and literary program has been arranged.

The Swedish Minister entertained at dinner last evening.

Miss Cannon, who has just returned from a seven months' tour of the world, is a guest of her father, Representative Cannon, at the Normandie for a short time before returning to her home in Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Willard have as their guests Col. and Mrs. George M. Brayton, U. S. A.

Mr. Micou, chief clerk of the Navy, and Mrs. Micou and children have returned from Gainesville, Fla., where they have been spending several weeks.

Mr. Louis Gebicke with twenty members of the Marine band, gave an informal concert last evening to the members of the Columbia Athletic Club, of which Mr. Gebicke is a member.

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Spencian Business College Graduates a Big Class.

Young Men and Women Given the Diplomas Which Represent Months of Work and Energy.

The thirtieth annual commencement exercises of the Spencian Business College were held yesterday afternoon in the Lafayette Square Opera House. The exercises were witnessed by an audience which filled every seat from the footlights to the topmost gallery.

The class of '96 is one of the many very large ones graduated from the college. It numbered seventy-five members, more than half of whom were young ladies. The appearance of the class on the stage was the signal for applause which lasted until they were all seated. The Rev. Frank Sewall, pastor of the New Church, rose to ask a blessing. The young lady graduates were dressed in elegant gowns, and their hair was worn in classic style. The front of the stage was literally covered with a bank of roses, in large and beautiful bouquets, the offerings of the friends and relatives of the graduates.

Besides the graduates on the stage were Mrs. Sara A. Spencer, principal of the college; Mr. B. H. Warner, J. Allen Davis, principal of the Business High School of this city; Mr. Holliman, and Mr. J. A. Arnold Wilson.

The following was the program of exercises:

Salutatory (representing night classes), Ohio Warner Hammond, Ohio; salutatory, Annie Hinkley Walker, England; representing department of shorthand and typewriting; Arta, "Caro Nome," Rigoleto, Verdi; by Miss Alice Judson of the Hinkley Opera Company; ladies' valedictory, Bertha M. Stahn, South Carolina; gentlemen's valedictory, Charles T. Nicholson, Maryland; ballad, selected, Miss Judson; remarks by Mr. Allen Davis, principal of the business high school; presentation of the class of '96, Mrs. Sara A. Spencer; What My Lover Said, Homer Greene.

This last number was a study in expression by fifty of the young lady and gentlemen graduates, who gave expression in action to the story as it was told by Miss Mary Ethel Taylor.

The diplomas were awarded by the Rev. Dr. Sewall, after which brief exercises of commendation were made by Messrs. Warner, Holliman and Wilson.

The exercises were culminated by excellent music by Weber's orchestra.

The following are the names of the graduates:

Day class, ladies—Clara Mae Blake, Michigan; Pearl Gertrude Harrison, Maryland; Helen E. Hinkley, District of Columbia; Florence I. McDonald, Canada; Jane Henderson Miller, District of Columbia; Minnie Louise Nauck, District of Columbia; Anna H. Walcott, District of Columbia; Estelle Padline Riley, District of Columbia; Margaret C. Schaefer, District of Columbia; Amy Day Yerkes, District of Columbia; Bertha May Stahn, valedictory, South Carolina; May Ethel Taylor, reader, Nebraska; Charlotte E. Vaux, District of Columbia.

Day class—Gentlemen—Homer Clark Andrews, Ohio; Robert Thrift Ballard, Virginia; William Edwin Boswell, Maryland; Wash. Beall Boye, Maryland; Samuel Rozier Catts, Virginia; William Myron Cowell, District of Columbia; William Brown Dodge, Jr., Virginia; Clarence Edgar Fry, District of Columbia; Charles S. Lambdin, Virginia; Corrado Hammond Lanza, Sicily; Edgar Suter McConney, Maryland; J. Willard McConney, District of Columbia; George T. McConney, District of Columbia; Henry C. Milten, New York; Charles Vincent Moran, New York; Charles Thomas Nicholson, Maryland; Arthur Leroy Niles, Kansas; Louis F. C. Ockershausen, District of Columbia; H. Odell Pope, Illinois; Samuel Linn Simpson, Virginia; Frank John Schorka, Austria; Howard Alvin Townsend, Maryland; Charles H. Weaver, Maryland; Clarence Julian White, Georgia; Thomas Williamson, Jr., Virginia; Samuel Joseph Wilson, Maryland; and Arthur Elton Woodward, District of Columbia.

Night class—Jeanne White Bruce, Minnesota; Minnie Edna Fisher, Pennsylvania; William C. Pullman, District of Columbia; William H. Bartlett, District of Columbia; Reginald F. Brooks, District of Columbia; Gabriel F. Coulon, Louisiana; William Clinton Harrison, Alabama; Ohio Warner Hammond, Ohio; John W. Hodgson, District of Columbia; James B. MacKenzie, District of Columbia; George Anthony Grapp, District of Columbia; Eugene W. Willard, Michigan; Fred C. H. Wurdemann, Germany.

Shorthand and typewriting, ladies—Eleonor Boughton Baker, Connecticut; Jeanne White Bruce, Minnesota; Bertha Regina Buhler, District of Columbia; Emma Buhler, District of Columbia; Mary M. Hamilton, District of Columbia; Lydia Felicia Perkins, Florida; Inez Hammond Powell, Virginia; Elizabeth Walker, District of Columbia; Annie Hinshelwood, District of Columbia; Gentlemen—Reginald F. Brooks, District of Columbia; James Alphonso Burke, District of Columbia; Edward Thornton Burrill, District of Columbia; Charles Jewell Crosby, Massachusetts; William B. Crowell, Ohio; John Edward Monk, New York; Harry Williams Morgan, District of Columbia; Howard Fenton Paton, District of Columbia; George Fritthof Shilling, District of Columbia; Harry Thomas Waters, Maryland.

Agricultural drawing—Sophia Cottlingham Robinson, District of Columbia.

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to marry have been issued as follows:

William H. Spilling and Rosa L. Schumann, both of Richmond, Va.

William H. Lee and Martha A. Cook, Arthur Hinkley of St. Louis and Claude Turbville of San Francisco.

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BOTH CHEAP AND CHARMING.

A CHARMING and remarkable series of ladies' luncheons have been given this spring by a lovely young woman who is as well rather poorly off for extra dollars and dollars with which to sustain her rich and fashionable friends, yet she is an inveterately hospitable soul, and a housekeeper of the first water. Taking all these drawbacks and inducements into consideration, she invited ten congenial feminine souls to luncheon. The table was daintily laid as to silver, china, glass and napery, but the food was wonderful. There were six courses in all, with the requisite hors d'oeuvres and relishes, but at every plate lay a prettily decorated menu card showing, in its finished list, exactly what the hostess had spent in providing for every plate. Mrs. Gold-bond's eyes fairly goggled to see that she was luncheon off 9 cents' worth of oysters, 16 cents' worth of lobster, 2 cents' worth of bread, 1-2 cents' worth of pepper, 2 cents' worth of butter and so on down the list, and that, when every atom and ingredient was carefully accounted for, her delicious meal had cost, all told, but 60 cents. Her admiration, envy and amazement at this culinary achievement were shared by the nine other equally rich guests; and if imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, then this little hostess has been a well-coupled, living, and not only all her personal friends, but the smartest women in town are giving what they call marked down luncheons—feasts that cost per plate ever and ever so much less than ordinarily. Some of the housekeepers have contrived to get up an elegant little banquet for 10 cents less than the first woman managed; and Mrs. Goldbond says the proudest moment of her social career was the day she regally lunched twelve friends at 40 cents per plate. It's true it took her nearly a week to study recipes and market prices of meat, vegetables, etc.; but then it's the trying to work out a puzzle that counts, and the chief fun in the enterprise, and incidentally it is teaching the wealthy women a good deal they didn't know of plain, valuable domestic economy.—Democrat's Magazine.

WHEN MEN ARE THOUGHTLESS.

EDWARD W. BOK writes upon "When Men Are Thoughtless," in "My Ladies' Home Journal," directing attention to "the singular fact that the American man, who is the best and most thoughtful business man in the world, should yet be peculiarly thoughtless as to the future of his wife or children in the event of his death."

Mr. Bok forcibly contends that the husband should have his affairs in such condition that in the event of death coming to him his wife and children, or those dependent upon him, would not suffer. In this connection he says: "I firmly believe that it is the duty of every man to be insured. With insurance policies to be had at such low rates as is at present the case, there is scarcely a man who cannot afford some sort of a policy, no matter how small the amount it may call for. What seems to the man, himself in good health, as a small amount for an insurance policy,

often turns out to be a modest fortune to the woman or children who survive him."

"I wish, sometimes, that the taking out of an insurance policy, on the part of the husband, for an amount according to his means, might be made an obligatory part of every marriage ceremony. I know whereof I speak, when I say that there are hundreds of women in the homes of this land who are daily carrying with them the fear that their husbands or fathers are neglecting or forgetting to make suitable provision for them as widows or orphans. They shrink from speaking to the men of their homes about the matter. No man can afford to neglect a simple duty which may mean all the difference between happiness and misery to his family. Suitable provision for them he cannot allow himself to 'put off,' for surely it is true that 'in the midst of life we are in death.'"

WHERE SHE IS AT HOME.

THE vivacious, genial woman, who is never so much at home as when surrounded by a very of eager-minded children, is a woman who remains young in the important sense that she retains much of the freshness and unconventionality of mind, much of the gaiety and expansiveness of early life.

Conversely, one may feel pretty sure that a woman who retains a vivid memory of her childish ideas and feelings will be drawn to the companionship of children. After reading their autobiographies, one hardly needs to be told that Goethe carried into old age his quick responsiveness to the gaiety of the young heart, and that George Sand, in her later years, was never so happy as when gathering the youngsters about her.

Washingtonians in New York. (Special to The Times.) New York, May 12.—Ploza, Mr. Abbott, Grand, E. H. Allen, C. Currier, U. S. A.; Normand, M. Cohen, Marlborough, R. Harris, O. P. Johnson, N. T. Murray, A. Gaffney, U. S. N.; Astor, J. M. Kinsey, St. Denis, J. L. LeFevre, W. C. Connelley, W. H. Martin, D. P. Metzger, Holland, Mrs. McCulloch, R. K. Crale, C. W. Jungen, U. S. N.; Bruns, Wick, Miss Ward, Albert, C. H. Durig, R. Davidge, M. Bette, Imperial, A. E. Fingler, Altman, F. B. McGuire, Hoffman, F. Weiden, Union Square, F. D. Regan, Park Avenue, H. L. Abbott, U. S. A.; Gerlach, W. Crozier, Colclough, C. C. Hubbard, Salliedperstein, Paris, for Southampton, L. B. Fleischer, United States vice consul Capetown; Frank W. Roberts, United States consul, Capetown.

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WALISAUER—Died in New York, Sunday May 10, at 4 a. m. Frederick Walisauer. Funeral from his sister's residence, Mrs. C. Mounce, Wednesday, May 13, 250 First Street, Holoken, N. J. 11

WEBB—On Sunday, May 10, 1896, in his 84th year, Henry Webb, husband of Josephine Webb, aged forty-four years.

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